

Environmental Responsibility



The legendary Hotel del Coronado is uniquely aware of the amount of energy a resort its size can generate and has taken steps to minimize consumption and waste. The resort maintains a balance between environmental responsibility and exceptional service for all guests.

Conservation initiatives:

RESTAURANTS

- The Del chefs work with local sustainable farmers and fishermen as much as possible.
- The culinary team takes steps to control and minimize food waste for all meals and functions.
- Restaurant and special event set-up features multi-use decor vs. single-use (i.e. potted plants vs. fresh cut flowers).
- Special events/brunch use solid wood tables for stations, reducing the use of water from laundering table linens.
- Water is offered on request only.
- Ware washing uses a high-heat rinse cycle vs. chemicals.
- Leftover produce and food waste is ground to reduce impact on landfills and quicken the composting process.
- Fry oil is recycled and used in the production of ethanol.

GUESTROOMS

- Each guestroom features energy-efficient compact fluorescent lights, saving 641,000 kilowatts of power annually.
- A state-of-the-art energy management system controls the heating, ventilation, air-conditioning and lighting.
- Guestrooms feature ceiling fans to reduce air-conditioning usage.

HOUSEKEEPING

- The Housekeeping department utilizes vacuum cleaners specifically designed by the CRI (Carpet and Rug Institute) to reduce indoor air pollutants.
- The department's basic chemical package is Green Seal Certified.
- The laundry operates very early in the morning to conserve energy during peak hours.
- Air conditioning is turned off in vacant rooms.

GARDENING

The Del's irrigation systems have state-of-the-art programmers and the sprinklers all have low-flow, high-efficiency heads.

MARKETING

The Marketing department uses soy inks and Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified paper in the production of resort collateral.

PROPERTYWIDE RECYCLING

- Paper, cardboard, wood pallets, plastic containers, aluminum cans and glass are separated and recycled.
- All outdoor trash cans have been replaced with dual-use receptacles: one side for recyclables and the other for non-recyclable trash.
- A wide range of materials, including 75 tons of green waste, is recycled annually.
- Batteries, fluorescent lights, computers and other items that require special handling are discarded appropriately to keep these items out of landfills.

GUEST INVOLVEMENT

- Guests are encouraged to minimize water and energy consumption by refraining from having towels, sheets, etc. changed every day, helping to reduce water consumption. We have estimated an annual water reduction of approximately 663,000 gallons of water per year with this cooperative program.
- Guests are also reminded to turn off air-conditioning and lighting when not in the room.

"CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS."
- ANDRE ZOTOFF

